

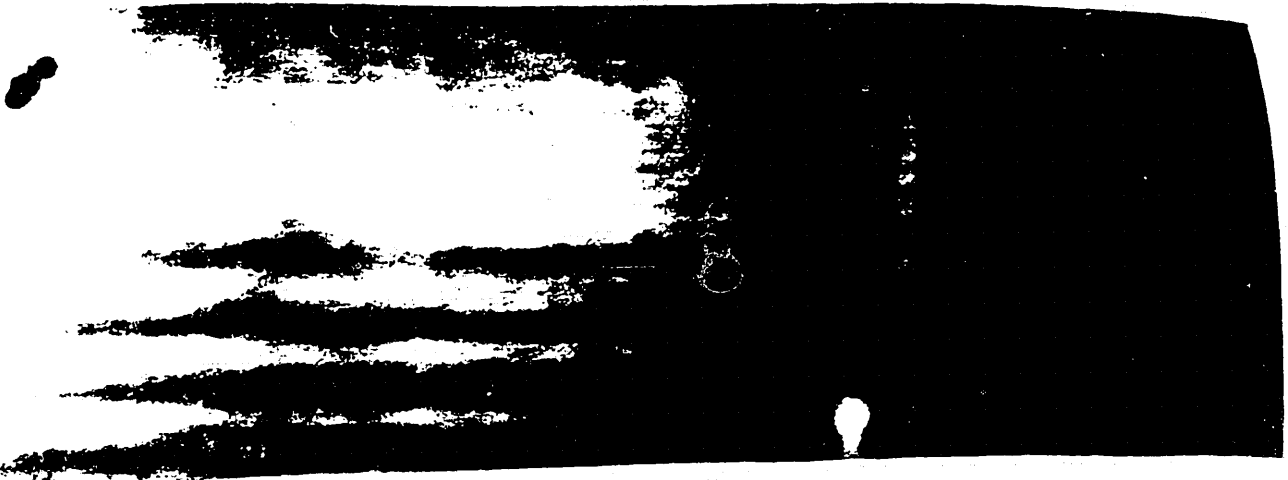
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SECDEF VISIT TO PAKISTAN

Additional Talking Paper

SUBJECT: Your Meeting with Defense Secretary Zaidi

Background: You have met Secretary Zaidi ("za-EE-dee") three times this year during official visits he has made to Washington. He assumed the post of Defense Secretary with the advent of civilian rule in Pakistan last December, replacing a retired military officer as the top civil servant in the Ministry of Defense.



Zaidi will also host the fifth meeting of the Consultative Group, a group you recommended we establish during your October 1983 visit. The CG has evolved into a forum of a restricted executive session followed by a formal opening plenary and working group sessions

These meetings will precede your arrival in Pakistan. The closing plenary session, which you agreed chair, will be preceded by a private meeting ("executive session") between you and Zaidi. During the closing plenary, reports from each working group will be delivered, and both you and Zaidi will be expected to make some formal remarks.

Suggested Talking Points

OPENING REMARKS

- Express appreciation for the opportunity to visit Pakistan during your current worldwide tour.
- Note your satisfaction in being able to attend this fifth session of the Consultative Group meetings, an idea that both governments approved in principle three years ago and now has evolved into a professional and intensive semi-annual review of U.S./Pakistani defense relations.

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AFGHAN BORDER VIOLATIONS/PAKISTAN AIR DEFENSE (Tabs D-G)

- Following your discussions with [REDACTED] about the current level and type of border violations, and rough estimates on property damage and casualties inside Pakistan in recent months.
- Inquire [REDACTED] predictions of likely Soviet or Afghan activity along the border over the coming twelve to eighteen months.
- [REDACTED] any specific confrontations or incidents involving Pakistan military forces or crews since the May 86 shootdown by Pakistani Air Force F-16s of intruding aircraft.
- Seek [REDACTED] on the redeployment [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- Commend [REDACTED] the thorough approach Pakistan has taken in building an effective air defense of Pakistan's western border regions.

MILITARY COOPERATION (Tab J)

- Solicit [REDACTED] within the Government of Pakistan over the current level of military cooperation, [REDACTED] between both navies during U.S. Navy port calls..

SECURITY ASSISTANCE (Tabs B and B-1 and Talker 1) -

- Re-emphasize [REDACTED] appreciation for the efforts Pakistan has made to provide procurement priorities for the follow-on program. Security assistance discussions during

this visit may help refine timetables and preferences and facilitate effective procurement decisions in the future.

[REDACTED] reemphasize the importance of the waiver required by Congress for our follow-on program.

SPECIALIZED COUNTER-TERRORIST MILITARY TRAINING (Tab V)

- Elicit [REDACTED] on Pakistan's handling of the recent Pan Am hijacking incident in Karachi, to include the GOP's most important lessons learned.

- [REDACTED]
- Stress that the experience we have gained in a number of countries can be given to Pakistan for its selective use during any future hostage-taking situations.